### E-Readers: Get to Know Your Nook or Kindle

Basic steps to getting started

- 1. Power-up your device.
- 2. Setup your device.
- 3. Authorize your device

Kindle – authorized during the setup process (only once) Nook – authorized when you plug into the computer.

4. Use the same email account to register or authorize all devices and software.

Readers hold hundreds of books – 1000 on Nook Simple Touch, 1400 on Kindle Touch

Battery life depends on your device and your reading habits – how often you read. The battery life on a Nook Simple Touch is 2 months based on one hour of reading daily.

WiFi vs. 3G

If you have a wireless router for your Internet access, you may be able to use WiFi in your home.

If you are unsure if you have wireless in your home, have your e-reader check for a wireless connection. If it finds one, you're ready to go; if it doesn't find one, you'll have to use a WiFi hotspot.

#### **DOWNLOADING**

Where do you find ebooks?

- 1. Online stores like Kindle Store and Nook Store (which can store gift card numbers and amounts so purchases are automatically deducted from totals)
- 2. Free websites like Project Gutenberg (http://www.gutenberg.org/, 38,000 free ebooks)
- 3. OverDrive for library books

Download time depends on your connection and the book.

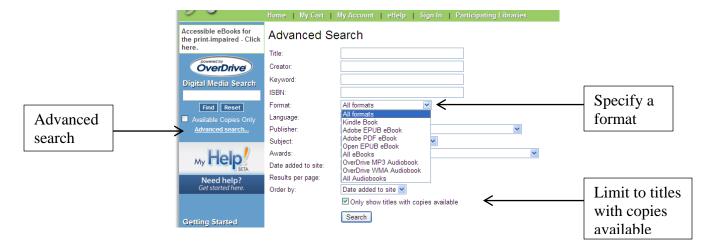
- 1. Fiction will take less time to download because there are no graphics.
- 2. Books with color pictures may take up to 5 minutes.
- 3. Generally, choose WiFi for downloading; it's faster than 3G.

If you have a tablet or other e-reader with Internet capability, you can search for ebooks and download them without using a desktop or laptop.

Downloading free library ebooks from OverDrive

- 1. Go to the Plattsmouth Library's website (<a href="http://www.plattsmouthlibrary.org">http://www.plattsmouthlibrary.org</a>) and click on the OverDrive link on the right. You can also go to <a href="http://nebraska.lib.overdrive.com">http://nebraska.lib.overdrive.com</a>.
- 2. If you own any e-reader other than the Kindle, you will need to download Adobe Digital Editions (ADE), which is linked on the bottom left of the screen in OverDrive. You will also need to **register ADE** (requires an email address).

- 3. OverDrive Media Console is needed for Android, BlackBerry, iPhone/iPad, or Windows Phone 7 devices.
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#### Kindle

You must have an Amazon account, which requires an email account.

Amazon knows what you are reading.

You must return library ebooks through your Amazon account.

Kindle can be deregistered and registered to another Amazon account.

# Searching for books

You can search the Kindle store on your device, but no prices are listed in the initial view and there is limited searching and sorting. You will probably prefer to search the online Kindle store.

You must use a computer to find non-Amazon ebooks if you don't have Internet on your Kindle.

A Kindle Touch holds about 1400 books.

### Downloading on a Kindle

You must have WiFi to download to the Kindle. 3G only works for Amazon content. Some Kindle books have to be downloaded with a USB connection.

You can purchase a book through Amazon – it downloads automatically the next time you open or sync your Kindle.

You can download a free book from the Internet (e.g, Project Gutenberg,

# http://www.gutenberg.org/)

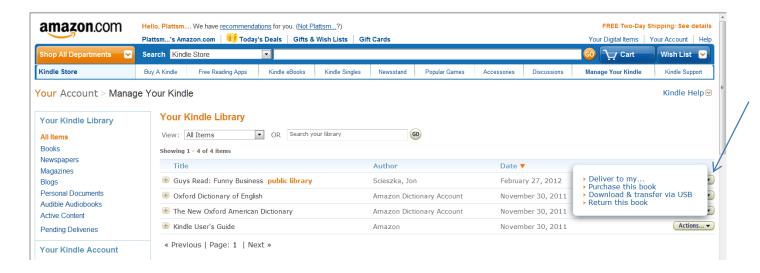
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- a. If it's before the loan ends, sign in to your Amazon account, go to Manage Your Kindle (found on the Kindle department bar or under Your Account, Digital Management). For the title you want to return, click on Actions, Return this Book.
- b. If the loan ends, you have to remove the title from your device and from your Amazon account.
  - 1) To remove the notice on your device that says Loan Ended, touch the notice and hold down until a menu appears. The last item on the menu says Delete.
  - 2) To remove the item from your Amazon account, go to Manage Your Kindle. For the title you want to delete, click on Actions, Delete from Library.



### Nook

You must have an email and a B&N.com account to register/start. You can create a B&N.com account during the setup.

You can search the B&N store on the device; it includes prices and sorting options.

You can lend your Nook books to a friend. Each book can be lent once for two weeks; the book icon must have "lend me" on the record.

The Nook Simple Touch holds up to 1,000 books, magazines, and newspapers.

## Downloading on a Nook

You can purchase a book through the Nook Store – it downloads automatically to your device.

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http://www.gutenberg.org/)

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